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"THE BOY AND THE PIRATES"

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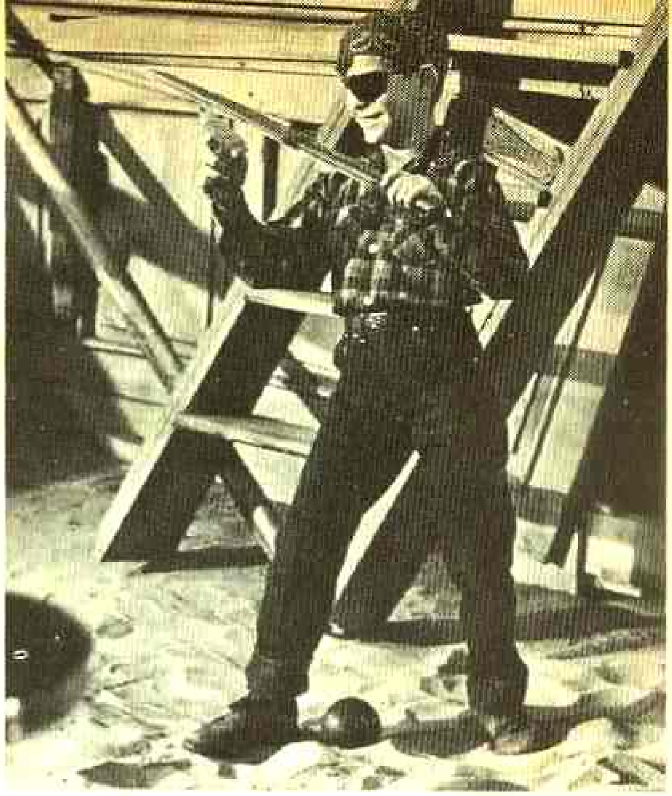
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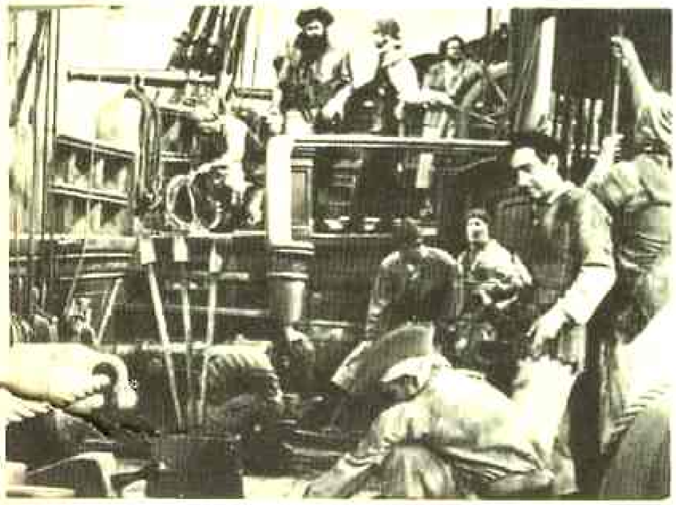
Jimmy Warren loves to play pirate on an old wreck down on the beach.



He finds a strange bottle; makes a wish, and suddenly finds himself sailing with Blackbeard!



Inside the bottle is an imp who tells him he must return the bottle to the exact spot in seven days. . . .



or take the imp's place inside it. But the pirate ship is headed for Carolina, hundreds of miles away.



Jimmy tricks Blackbeard into returning, but just then a British frigate appears and opens a deadly fire.



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AND WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING NOW?
WALKING A PLANK! EVERY PIRATE HAS TO WALK A PLANK SOONER OR LATER!
EEEYOW!
JIMMY!
COME ON, MR. PIRATE, YOU'RE MUCH BETTER OFF DIGGING CLAMS!
GIRLS! HMPHH! THEY JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND ANYTHING ABOUT PIRATES!
ALAS! VERY FEW PEOPLE APPRECIATE PIRATES! THAT AFTERNOON---
JUST LOOK AT THAT REPORT CARD, JIMMY! ALL THOSE C's AND D's---AND ONE LITTLE A!
THAT WAS FOR HISTORY, DAD! WE WERE STUDYING THE AGE OF EXPLORATION! THAT'S WHEN THE PIRATES RULED THE SEAS!
DID YOU KNOW BLACKBEARD GOT TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS IN PLUNDER? HE DIVIDED SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND OF IT AMONG HIS MEN---AND STILL HAD A HUNDRED AND FOUR THOUSAND FOR HIMSELF!
ALL THAT HE KNOWS! BUT WHEN IT COMES TO DIVIDING TEN BY TWO HIS MIND GOES BLANK!
BOY! AND DID THAT OLD BLACKBEARD HAVE A BLAST FOR HIMSELF!


ALL RIGHT! NOW GO BLAST THAT LAWN AND WHEN YOU'RE DONE YOU CAN GO TO YOUR ROOM AND GET RID OF ALL THAT JUNK YOU'VE BEEN SALVAGING FROM THE SEA!
WHAT? AW, POP!
I MEAN IT! EITHER YOU STRAIGHTEN OUT THAT MESS OF SHELLS, BOTTLES AND DRIFTWOOD OR I THROW IT ALL OUT!
AND I THOUGHT THIS WAS A FREE COUNTRY!
LATER, AFTER SUPPER...
CUT THE GRASS! CLEAN UP YOUR ROOM! EAT UP YOUR VEGE-TABLES! I BET OLD BLACKBEARD NEVER ATE A VEGETABLE IN HIS WHOLE LIFE!
HERE'S A WEIRD-LOOKING BOTTLE! BUT POP WOULDN'T LET ME KEEP IT! NO ONE EVER LETS ME DO WHAT I WANT TO DO!
I WISH I WAS FAR AWAY FROM HERE--ON A PIRATE SHIP! NO ONE WOULD GIVE ME ORDERS THERE!
BUT AS JIMMY MAKES HIS WISH....
THE BOTTLE! IT'S GLOWING!


BARROOM!
THAT SMOKE! IT'S FROM THE BOTTLE!
AN INSTANT LATER....
GOOD GRIEF! IS HE FOR REAL?
THANK YOU FOR FREEING ME! I AM ABU! AT YOUR SERVICE, SIRE!
SIRE? MY NAME IS JIMMY! WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT?
SIRE JIMMY, I HAVE GRANTED YOUR WISH---YOUR HEART'S DESIRE! YOU ARE ABOARD THE QUEEN'S REVENGE!
YOU MEAN BLACKBEARD'S SHIP?
..MAN THE RIGGING! STEP LIVELY, YE SONS O' SWABS, OR I'LL KEELHAUL THE LOT OF YOU!
IT--IT'S BLACKBEARD!



I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND! HOW DID ALL THIS HAPPEN.?
IT'S SIMPLE, SIRE! FOR TWO THOUSAND YEARS, I WAS IMPRISONED IN THE BOTTLE WAITING FOR SOMEONE TO RELEASE ME AND TAKE MY PLACE. THAT SOMEONE IS YOU!
ME LIVE IN THERE? THAT'S CRAZY! WHY SHOULD I?
BECAUSE THAT IS THE LAW! YOUR WISH RELEASED ME FOR SEVEN DAYS OF FREEDOM! AFTER THAT EITHER YOU OR I MUST GO BACK INSIDE!
DON'T COUNT ON ME! YOU'LL NEVER GET ME INSIDE THAT BOTTLE!
THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO AVOID THAT FATE!
YOU MUST RETURN THE BOTTLE TO THE EXACT SPOT WHERE YOU FOUND IT IN SEVEN DAYS.
THAT'S A CINCH! I'VE GOT A WHOLE WEEK! ABU, YOU'RE A DEAD PIGEON!
BUT DON'T FORGET, THIS SHIP IS HEADED FOR NOVA SCOTIA! BLACKBEARD PLANS TO BURY HIS PLUNDER THERE!
OH NO! THEN IT COULD BE WEEKS BEFORE WE GET BACK TO NEW ENGLAND!
JUST THEN...
SNIPE! YOU'RE MY MATE! EVER SEEN THIS BRAT BEFORE? I THINK THE SWAB'S A STOWAWAY!
I'M NO STOWAWAY! MR. ABU BROUGHT ME HERE--- THE LITTLE MAN WHO LIVES IN THIS BOTTLE!



THAT BOTTLE'S AS EMPTY AS HIS NOGGIN! FEED HIM TO THE SHARKS! NOBODY CAN PULL BLACKBEARD'S LEG!
WAIT, CAPTAIN! WE NEED A SHIP'S BOY! AND AS A STOW-AWAY, WE WOULDN'T HAVE TO PAY HIM ANY WAGES!
ALL RIGHT, SNIPE! HE'S TOO SKINNY FOR MY LIKING BUT PUT HIM TO WORK!
AYE AYE, SIR! WE'LL USE HIM FOR SWABBING THE DECK-- AND HE'LL LEND A HAND IN THE GALLEY!
HERE YOU ARE, LAD! LOOK LIVELY! AND DON'T WORRY ABOUT THEM SHARKS! THEY WOULDN'T GET A SQUARE MEAL OUT OF YOU ANYWAY!
TH-THANKS, MR. SNIPE!
HOW DO YOU LIKE PIRATING, SIRE JIMMY? JUST LIKE HOME, EH? HA, HA!
VERY FUNNY! I HOPE SOMEBODY SEES YOU AND TOSSES YOU BACK INTO THE OCEAN!
THERE'S NO FEAR OF THAT, SIRE! HAVEN'T I TOLD YOU? NOBODY CAN SEE ME BUT YOU!
AW, WHY DON'T YOU JUST CLIMB BACK INTO YOUR BOTTLE?
MEANWHILE, IN THE CABIN BELOW....
A GOOD HAUL, BLACKBEARD! IT'S A PITY WE HAD TO FINISH OLD TROTT OFF! AFTER ALL, HE WAS A BROTHER PIRATE!
SNIPE, YOU'RE A SENTIMENTAL FOOL! COME ON, LET'S ALL HAVE ANOTHER ROUND!



SCOGGINS! FETCH ME ANOTHER CASK FROM THE GALLEY, YOU SWAB!
AYE, AYE, CAPTAIN!
HERE, RUNT, FETCH THIS CASK DOWN TO THE CAPTAIN! HIS NIBS IS CALLING FOR HIS MILK!
M-MILK? YES SIR!
MOMENTS LATER IN THE CABIN...
THERE OUGHT TO BE MORE PLUNDER! BEN TROTT HAD A LOT MORE GOLD THAN THIS IN HIS COFFERS!
IF HE BURIED IT THERE'D BE A MAP! HM! MAYBE THE MAP WENT DOWN WHEN WE SANK TROTT'S SHIP!
ER- HERE'S YOUR MILK, SIR!
MILK?! OH-HO! SO, IT'S YOU, RUNT!
I'M NOT A RUNT! MY NAME'S JIMMY WARREN--- I'M ALMOST ELEVEN AND I'M BIG FOR MY AGE!
RUNT, SPOKEN LIKE A MAN! HOW'D YOU LIKE ME TO MAKE A PIRATE OUT OF YOU?
WELL, ER--I'M NOT SURE I WANT TO BE A PIRATE!
LIKE IT OR NOT, I'VE MADE UP MY MIND! I'LL MAKE A PIRATE OUT OF YOU OR YOU'LL WALK THE PLANK!


AND TELL THAT LILY-LIVERED SCOGGINS TO SEND DOWN ANOTHER CASK OF THIS 'MILK'! I'VE TAKEN A LIKING TO IT!
AYE, AYE, SIR!
SO THE CAPTAIN LIKES MILK, DOES HE? WELL, THAT CAN BE ARRANGED!
MILK! PHOO!
GOOD RUM TURNING INTO MILK! IF I WEREN'T A PRACTICAL MAN I'D SAY THERE WAS BLACK MAGIC ABOARD!
AND I'D SAY YOU'D BETTER GET OUT OF HERE WHILE THE GETTING'S GOOD, SIRE JIMMY!
SUDDENLY ON THE DECK...
SHIP AHOY-- OFF THE PORT BOW!
IT'S A SLOOP! AND SHE'S FLYING THE UNION JACK! ALL HANDS ON DECK!
IT'S BLACKBEARD ALL RIGHT! CLEAR THE DECKS FOR ACTION! PORT GUNS READY TO FIRE!
AYE, AYE, SIR!


IT'S CAPTAIN MAYNARD OF THE KING'S NAVY! HE'S BEEN TRYING TO FIND US FOR MONTHS! ARE WE GOING TO TAKE HIM ON, CAPTAIN?
IT'S TOO LATE TO MAKE A RUN FOR IT! GET READY FOR ACTION!
I'M IN LUCK! WHEN THEY CAPTURE US I'LL GET THIS CAPTAIN MAYNARD TO TAKE ME BACK HOME!
OH NO YOU WON'T!
THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT, ABU!
ISN'T THERE? WELL, WATCH THIS! FOOOO!
THEN IN THE NEXT INCREDIBLE MOMENT...
CAPTAIN, LOOK! THAT FOG BANK ROLLING IN BETWEEN US AND THE BRITISHER! IT CAME UP AS IF BY MAGIC!
IT GIVES US A CHANCE TO LOSE MAYNARD! CHANGE COURSE! HARD TO PORT!
CONFOUND THAT FOG! HOW DID IT COME UP SO SUDDENLY? BLACKBEARD'S GETTING AWAY, THE SLIPPERY EEL!
I'LL CATCH HIM YET---AND SEND HIM TO DAVEY JONES'S OR TURN IN MY STRIPES!
I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU DID IT, ABU, BUT I'LL BET YOU THINK YOU'RE PRETTY SMART!
A TRICK OF THE TRADE! BUT YOU MUST ADMIT, SIRE JIMMY, THAT IT WAS A PRETTY NEAT TRICK!


AND NOW BLACK-BEARD'S HEADING BACK TOWARD THE CAROLINAS ---AND THAT'S MUCH FURTHER AWAY FROM YOUR HOME THAN NOVA SCOTIA!
THAT ABU! JUST WAIT TILL I GET HIM ALONE IN HIS BOTTLE!
THAT NIGHT IN THE CREW'S QUARTERS....
THAT PIRATE BUSINESS ---I'M JUST SICK OF IT! BUT I WOULDN'T BE HERE IF IT WASN'T FOR THAT TRICKY MR. ABU!
I'LL FIX HIM! I'LL JUST DROP HIM IN THE OCEAN WHERE HE CAME FROM!
SPLASH!
BUT AS JIMMY RETURNS TO HIS BUNK...
IT'S ABU! HE-HE'S BACK!
YOU CAN'T GET RID OF ME THAT EASILY, JIMMY! THERE'S SOMETHING I SHOULD EXPLAIN!
EACH TIME YOU TRY TO THROW ME AWAY IN ANY SPOT EXCEPT IN THE ONE YOU FOUND ME--- ONE DAY IS TAKEN OFF YOUR ALLOTTED TIME!
THEN I'VE ONLY GOT FIVE DAYS LEFT! OH, NO!
SUDDENLY....
BOOMMM! CRASH!
WH-WHAT'S THAT?


YOUR HERO, BLACKBEARD--HE'S JUST ATTACKED A DUTCH MERCHANT-MAN!
QUICK! I'VE GOT TO GET UP ON DECK!
GIVE HER ANOTHER BROADSIDE AND THEN WE'LL BOARD HER, MEN!
AS THE PIRATE SHIP CLOSES IN...
MR. SNIPE! HE DOESN'T SEE THAT SAILOR ABOUT TO ATTACK HIM! THERE'S ONLY ONE CHANCE TO SAVE HIS LIFE!
A SECOND LATER, A FLASH OF LIGHT BLINDS THE ATTACKER!
EEEYAH!
MY POCKET FLASHLIGHT! IT SCARED HIM AWAY!
THANKS, RUNT! I OWE YOU MY LIFE! BUT WHAT IS THAT THING IN YOUR HAND?
I-I'LL EXPLAIN LATER!


AS THE BATTLE SURGES ACROSS THE DECKS...
BARROOM!
AN EXPLOSION! THAT DUTCH VESSEL'S DONE FOR! LOOK! SOMEBODY'S JUMPING OVERBOARD!
IT'S A GIRL! SHE CAN'T SWIM! I'VE GOT TO SAVE HER!
HOLD ON TO MY SHOULDER! NO! NOT MY NECK! YOU'RE CHOKING ME! (ULP!)
HELP! SAVE ME!
JIMMY! THAT GIRL IS PULLING HIM UNDER! THIS IS BAD! I MUST DO SOMETHING!
FWEET!
SNIPE! OVER HERE! LOOK OVER THE SIDE---AND IN THE WATER!
THAT'S FUNNY! I COULD SWEAR I HEARD SOMEBODY CALLING ME OVER TO THE RAIL! BUT THERE'S NO ONE THERE!


IT'S THE RUNT! I'M COMING, LAD! HOLD ON!
AND AS THE DUTCH SHIP SINKS IN FLAME...
THANKS, MR. SNIPE! WE'D BE DONE FOR IF NOT FOR YOU!
A FAIR EXCHANGE, LAD! YOU SAVED **MY** LIFE, TOO! NOW, GET ABOARD QUICKLY!
SNIPE! WHAT'S THAT FEMALE BRAT DOING ABOARD THIS SHIP?
THE RUNT AND THE GIRL WERE BOTH DROWNING, BLACKBEARD! I HAD TO HAUL THEM IN!
PLEASE, MR. BLACKBEARD! SHE'S ONLY A LITTLE GIRL! SHE WON'T BE ANY TROUBLE!
I'LL HAVE NO FEMALES ABOARD MY SHIP! STAND ASIDE!
OVER THE SIDE WITH HER!
THE DIRTY BULLY! IF I ONLY HAD A WEAPON!
HERE, JIMMY ---TAKE THIS BELAYING PIN!
LET HER GO, YOU SWAB! KATHY WAS RIGHT! YOU'RE NOTHING BUT A DIRTY OLD MURDERER!
WELL, STAVE IN MY TIMBERS! THE RUNT IS STANDING UP TO ME!


HANGED IF YOU HAVEN'T MORE COURAGE THAN ANY MAN IN MY CREW!
ALL RIGHT, SNIPE, LET HER STAY ABOARD! BUT MAKE SURE SHE EARNS HER KEEP!
AYE, AYE, SIR! I'LL GET HER SOME DRY CLOTHES!
THANK YOU FOR SAVING MY LIFE,---EVEN THOUGH YOU ARE A PIRATE!
BUT I'M NOT A PIRATE! I WAS BROUGHT ABOARD THIS SHIP BY MR. ABU---THAT'S THE LITTLE GUY SITTING OVER THERE!
BUT I DON'T SEE ANYBODY SITTING THERE!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN? WHY---
WELL, NEVER MIND! YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND! BESIDES YOU'RE JUST A GIRL!
SAY, YOU LOOK JUST LIKE KATHY---A GIRL I KNOW,--EXCEPT THAT YOU TALK DIFFERENTLY! WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
KATRINA VAN KIEFT! I COME FROM NEW YORK, BUT WE DUTCH STILL CALL IT NEW AMSTERDAM!
HERE ARE SOME DRY CLOTHES! GET BELOW AND CHANGE! THE GIRL CAN HAVE MY CABIN! I'LL SLEEP IN THE FORECASTLE WITH THE CREW!
THANKS, MR. SNIPE! I'LL SHOW HER WHERE IT IS!
YOU MUSTN'T CRY, KATRINA! I WON'T LET ANYTHING HAPPEN TO YOU!
OH, JIMMY, I KNOW YOU'RE BRAVE, BUT THOSE PIRATES ARE SO CRUEL! I JUST KNOW I'LL NEVER SEE MY FAMILY AGAIN!


THEY WERE ALWAYS SO GOOD TO ME! MY MOTHER GAVE ME THIS LOCKET FOR MY LAST BIRTHDAY!
IT'S KEEN! JUST DON'T WORRY, KATRINA! YOU'LL GET HOME ALL RIGHT!
YOU'RE WRONG! I HEARD THE PIRATES SAYING WE'RE HEADING SOUTH, FURTHER AWAY FROM NEW AMSTERDAM--I MEAN NEW YORK!
I KNOW! AND NOW I'VE GOT ONLY THREE DAYS LEFT TO GET BACK HOME OR I'LL BE IN REAL TROUBLE WITH MR. ABU!
WHO IS THIS MR. ABU YOU'RE ALWAYS TALKING ABOUT?
OH, JUST A LITTLE SQUIRT WHO'S GOT ME IN A TIGHT SPOT! BUT I'LL GET OUT OF IT YET!
JUST THEN...
HERE, YOU TWO, AREN'T YOU FINISHED WITH THEM BLOOMIN' VEGETABLES YET?
WE JUST FINISHED, MR. SCOGGINS!
IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU GOT DONE! NOW GET OUT OF HERE WHILE I FINISH THIS SLUMGULLION FOR THE CAPTAIN'S DINNER!
AYE, AYE, MR. SCOGGINS! WE'RE GOING!
OUTSIDE, ON THE DECK...
HEY, RUNT! FETCH ME A COAL TO LIGHT ME PIPE!
WHAT FOR? I'LL GIVE YOU A LIGHT!


THIS MATCH IS MUCH BETTER AND FASTER THAN A COAL!
IT'S MAGIC!
SCRATCH!
WITCHCRAFT!
AW, THEY'RE JUST SAFETY MATCHES! I'D CATCH IT IF DAD KNEW I HAD THEM! I'M NOT SUPPOSED TO PLAY WITH MATCHES!
HM! THEY'RE MIGHTY HANDY GADGETS, WHATEVER THEY ARE!
TELL YOU WHAT! YOU GIVE 'EM TO ME AND I'LL GIVE YOU ONE OF OLD BEN TROTT'S NICE SHINY DOUBLOONS!
IT'S A DEAL!
WHO'S BEN TROTT?
JUST ANOTHER PIRATE! BLACKBEARD FINISHED HIM OFF AND SCUTTLED HIS SHIP JUST BEFORE I CAME ABOARD!
BLACKBEARD ONLY GOT A SMALL PART OF TROTT'S TREASURE! HE FIGURES TROTT BURIED THE REST OF IT SOME-WHERE---AND THAT THE TREASURE MAP WENT DOWN WITH TROTT'S SHIP!
THAT TREASURE MAP! IT GIVES ME AN IDEA! COME ON, LET'S GO BELOW WHERE NO ONE CAN HEAR US! I'VE GOT A PLAN!


THAT NIGHT, IN A CABIN BELOW....
AND YOU THINK THIS FAKE TREASURE MAP WILL FOOL BLACKBEARD, JIMMY?
IT CAN'T MISS! I'VE MARKED IT SO HE'LL THINK TROTT'S TREASURE IS BURIED AT BISCAYNE POINT! THAT'S NEAR MY HOME!
MASSA. COLONY
COME ON, WE'VE GOT TO PLANT THIS MAP WHERE BLACKBEARD WILL FIND IT!
THE TREASURE CHEST! THAT'S THE PLACE TO HIDE THE MAP! BLACKBEARD'S ALWAYS PAWING THROUGH THE LOOT! HE'S BOUND TO FIND IT THERE!
BUT AN INSTANT LATER--A HEAVY TREAD UPON THE STAIR...
HEY, SCOGGINS! HURRY UP WITH THAT SLUMGULLION, YE SWAB!
BLACKBEARD! COMING DOWN TO EAT HIS SUPPER! QUICK! INSIDE THE CHEST!
BUT A FURTIVE MOVEMENT CATCHES THE CAPTAIN'S EYE,...
CAPTAIN, TAKE A LOOK AT THE LID ON THAT CHEST!
BLAST ME, IF THERE ISN'T SOMEONE INSIDE!
IT'S THE BRATS! WHAT WERE YOU TWO DOING IN THAT CHEST? AND WHAT'S THAT PAPER IN YOUR HAND, RUNT?
ER-WE WERE JUST LOOKING AT THE TREASURE, CAPTAIN! WE FOUND THIS PAPER INSIDE!


BY THE POWERS! IT'S BEN TROTT'S TREASURE MAP!
HE BURIED HIS PLUNDER UP ON THE MASSACHUSETTS COAST!
CAPTAIN, ONLY WE KNOW ABOUT THIS MAP! IT WOULD BE A BLINKEN SHAME IF WE HAD TO SHARE WITH THE REST OF THAT SCURVY CREW!
I OUGHT TO HANG YOU FROM THE YARDARM FOR SUCH A SELFISH THOUGHT.. --BUT IT'S A SPLENDID IDEA, SCOGGINS!
THEN I TAKE IT YOU'LL CHANGE THE COURSE AND HEAD NORTH FOR MASSACHUSETTS!
SCOGGINS, YOU'RE A MIND READER! I'M GOING UP ON DECK AND TAKE CARE OF THAT RIGHT NOW!
THE BRATS! THEY SLIPPED OUT WHILE WE WERE BUSY WITH THE MAP! WONDER HOW MUCH THEY HEARD?
DON'T WORRY ABOUT THEM, SCOGGINS! RIGHT NOW WE'VE GOT TO GET THE HELMSMEN TO CHANGE THEIR COURSE!
AS BLACKBEARD TAKES THE WHEEL....
IT'S OKAY! BLACKBEARD HAS CHANGED THE COURSE! HE'S TURNING THE SHIP AROUND!
THAT STRANGE SIGN YOU ARE MAKING WITH YOUR FINGERS! WHAT DOES IT MEAN?
IT MEANS THAT ONCE WE REACH THE MASSACHUSETTS BAY, ABU WILL BE THE DEAD PIGEON NOT ME!


BUT THE CHANGE OF COURSE HAS AROUSED THE CREW---
CAPTAIN! YOU CAN'T HEAD NORTHWARD! MAYNARD AND THAT BRITISH MAN-OF-WAR ARE WAITING FOR US UP THERE! IT'LL MEAN OUR NECKS!
WE'VE GOT TO TURN BACK! SCOGGINS TELLS ME THE RATIONS ARE RUNNING SHORT!
WE WON'T LET YOU RISK OUR LIVES! OWWWW!
WHAT I SAY GOES ON THIS SHIP, YOU MANGY CUR!
BANG!
SNIPE! YOU DON'T BELIEVE THAT BILGE ABOUT THE RATIONS?
I DON'T KNOW, BUT WE'LL FIND OUT TO-NIGHT! WHEN SCOGGINS FALLS ASLEEP WE'LL BORROW HIS KEYS AND CHECK THE HOLD!
THAT NIGHT IN THE FORECASTLE...
HEY, WHAT'S THE IDEA OF WAKING ME UP, ABU?
I HAVE INTERESTING NEWS, SIRE JIMMY! YOUR FRIEND MR. SNIPE JUST DISCOVERED THAT BLACKBEARD WAS LYING ABOUT THE RATIONS!
THEY'RE MEETING NOW, PLANNING A MUTINY! BLACKBEARD WILL NEVER LIVE TO GET YOU BACK TO MASSACHUSETTS!
GOSH, HE'S GOT TO!
DON'T DESPAIR, SIRE JIMMY! AFTER A FEW THOUSAND YEARS THE BOTTLE GETS TO FEEL LIKE HOME!
YOU HAVEN'T WON YET! I'M GOING TO LISTEN IN ON THEIR PLANS!


SO, THE STOREROOMS ARE FULL, THEN BLACKBEARD WAS LYING! I SAY MUTINY!
QUIET, MATES! REMEMBER SCOGGINS IS ASLEEP CLOSE BY! WE DON'T WANT TO WAKE HIM!
MATES, BLACKBEARD IS UP TO SOMETHING THAT SPELLS GOLD! HE WOULDN'T RISK HIS OWN LIFE GOING BACK TO NEW ENGLAND UNLESS THERE WAS GOLD IN IT!
YOU'RE RIGHT, SNIPE! WHAT'LL YOU HAVE US DO?
WE'LL PLAY ALONG WITH HIM! IF HE'S AFTER GOLD WE'LL CLAIM OUR RIGHTFUL SHARE!
AYE! WE'RE ALL WITH YOU, SNIPE!
WELL, DON'T LET IT UPSET YOU TOO MUCH, ABU! AFTER A COUPLE OF THOUSAND YEARS THAT LITTLE BOTTLE FEELS JUST LIKE HOME!
BAH!
THE NEXT DAY, AT THE HELM....
WE'RE MAKING GOOD SPEED! WE'LL BE OFF THE MASSACHUSETTS COAST BY TOMORROW NIGHT! I CAN SMELL OLD BEN TROTT'S GOLD ALREADY!
OH, CAPTAIN!
THAT SMALL FISHING VESSEL--- HE'S HEADING FOR PORT! HE MIGHT HAVE SPOTTED US! MAYBE WE OUGHT TO STOP HIM!
BLAST YOU, SNIPE! I'VE GOT A LOT MORE IMPORTANT THINGS TO WORRY ABOUT THAN CHASING A MISERABLE BOATLOAD OF MACKEREL! GET BACK TO YOUR POST!



BUT BLACKBEARD HAS MISCALCULATED! THAT AFTERNOON IN PORT....
I CAN'T BELIEVE BLACKBEARD WOULD HAVE LET YOU PASS IF HE HAD SIGHTED YOU!
I'M SURE IT WAS BLACKBEARD LIEUTENANT MAYNARD! I SAW THE NAME CLEAR IN MY GLASS! THE QUEEN'S REVENGE! AND SHE FLEW THE JOLLY ROGER!
MR. KINGSLEY, GIVE ORDERS TO WEIGH ANCHOR AND SET SAIL IMMEDIATELY!
AYE, AYE, SIR!
THE NEXT DAY, AS THE PIRATE SHIP PLOWS NORTHWARD...
AND HOW FAR IS THIS BISCAYNE POINT FROM YOUR HOUSE?
LESS THAN A MILE! KATHY AND I USED TO PLAY THERE ALL THE TIME! SHE DIDN'T CARE FOR PIRATES MUCH EITHER!
AND SHE WAS RIGHT! THEY'RE A SCURVY LOT--- ALL EXCEPT SNIPE! I'D SURE LIKE TO TELL HIM WHY BLACKBEARD IS HEADING FOR MASSACHUSETTS!
QUIET! YOU MUSTN'T! BLACKBEARD WOULD KILL YOU!
UNKNOWN TO JIMMY THEIR CONVERSATION IS OVERHEARD...
SO THE RUNT KNOWS WHAT'S BEHIND IT ALL, HEY? I SAY WE GRAB HIM AND MAKE HIM TALK!
AYE! BUT KEEP SNIPE OUT OF IT! HE'S SOFT ON THE RUNT!
THAT NIGHT JIMMY AND KATRINA ARE TRAPPED IN THE FORECASTLE...
SPEAK UP, RUNT! WHY IS BLACKBEARD TAKING YOU TO BISCAYNE POINT?
I CAN'T TELL! BLACKBEARD WOULD KILL ME!

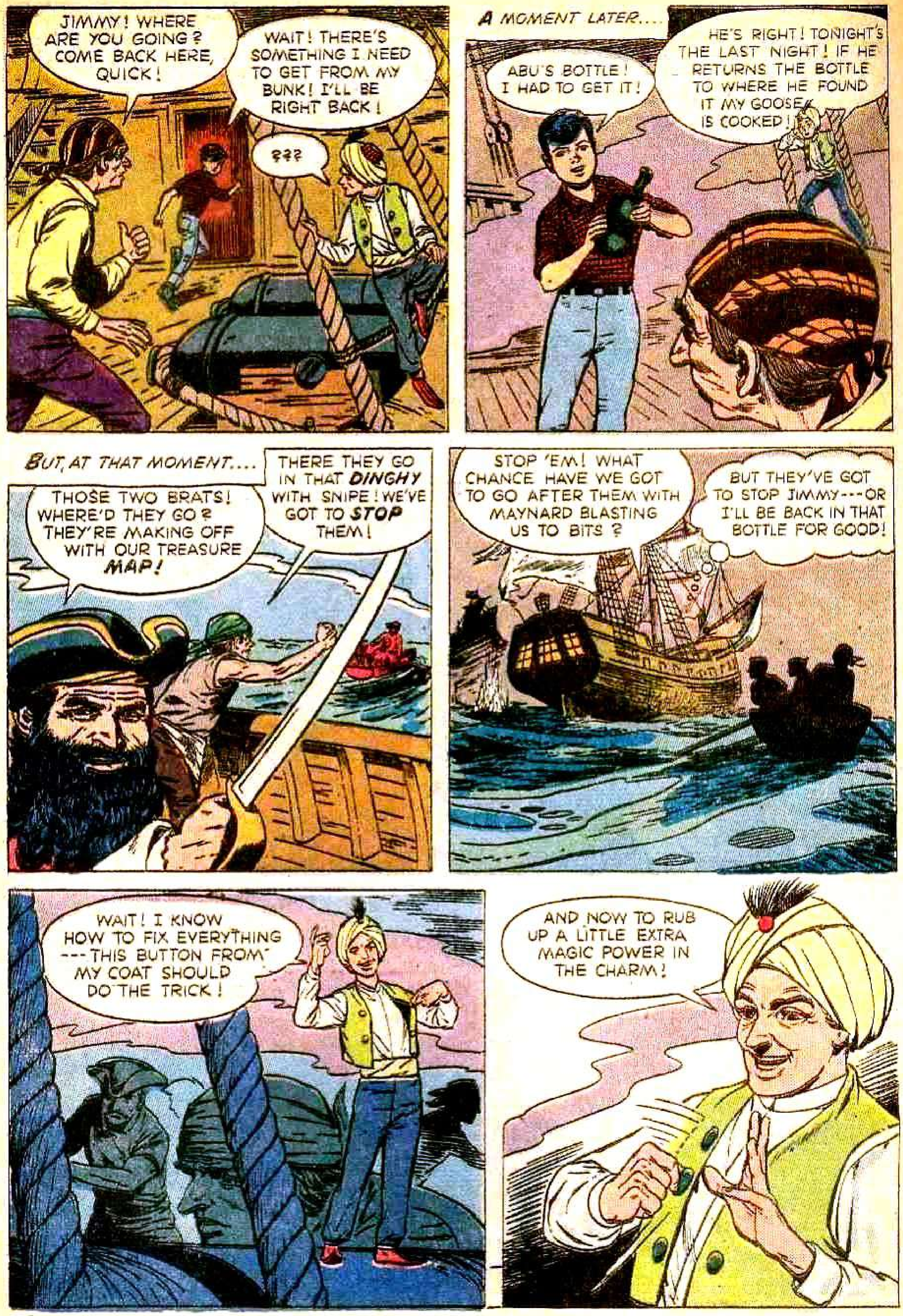

NO! DON'T HIT JIMMY! I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHING! BLACKBEARD IS GOING NORTH TO FIND A BIG TREASURE THAT IS BURIED THERE!
WELL, WE MIGHT AS WELL TELL EVERYTHING! THERE'S A MAP THAT---
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
IT'S SNIPE!
ALL RIGHT, RUNT, NO ONE'S GOING TO HURT YOU WHILE I'M HERE! NOW WHAT'S ALL THIS ABOUT A MAP?
THERE'S A CHART SHOWING WHERE BEN TROTT'S TREASURE IS BURIED---BUT THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE I'VE GOT TO TELL YOU!
A TREASURE MAP, HEY? WELL THANKS, JIMMY, THAT'S ALL WE WANT TO KNOW! YOU'D BETTER GO NOW!
BUT, MR. SNIPE, THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE WE'VE GOT TO TELL YOU!
ALL RIGHT MEN, NOW WE'VE GOT THAT BLACKHEARTED DOUBLE-CROSSER DEAD TO RIGHTS! LET'S GET THAT MAP AND TAKE OVER!
AYE, SNIPE! WE'RE WITH YOU! IT'S MUTINY!
THEY'RE COMING OUT TO FIND BLACKBEARD! OH, JIMMY, MUST THERE BE MORE KILLING?
IT'S ALL MY FAULT! I WISH I'D NEVER MADE THAT MAP!

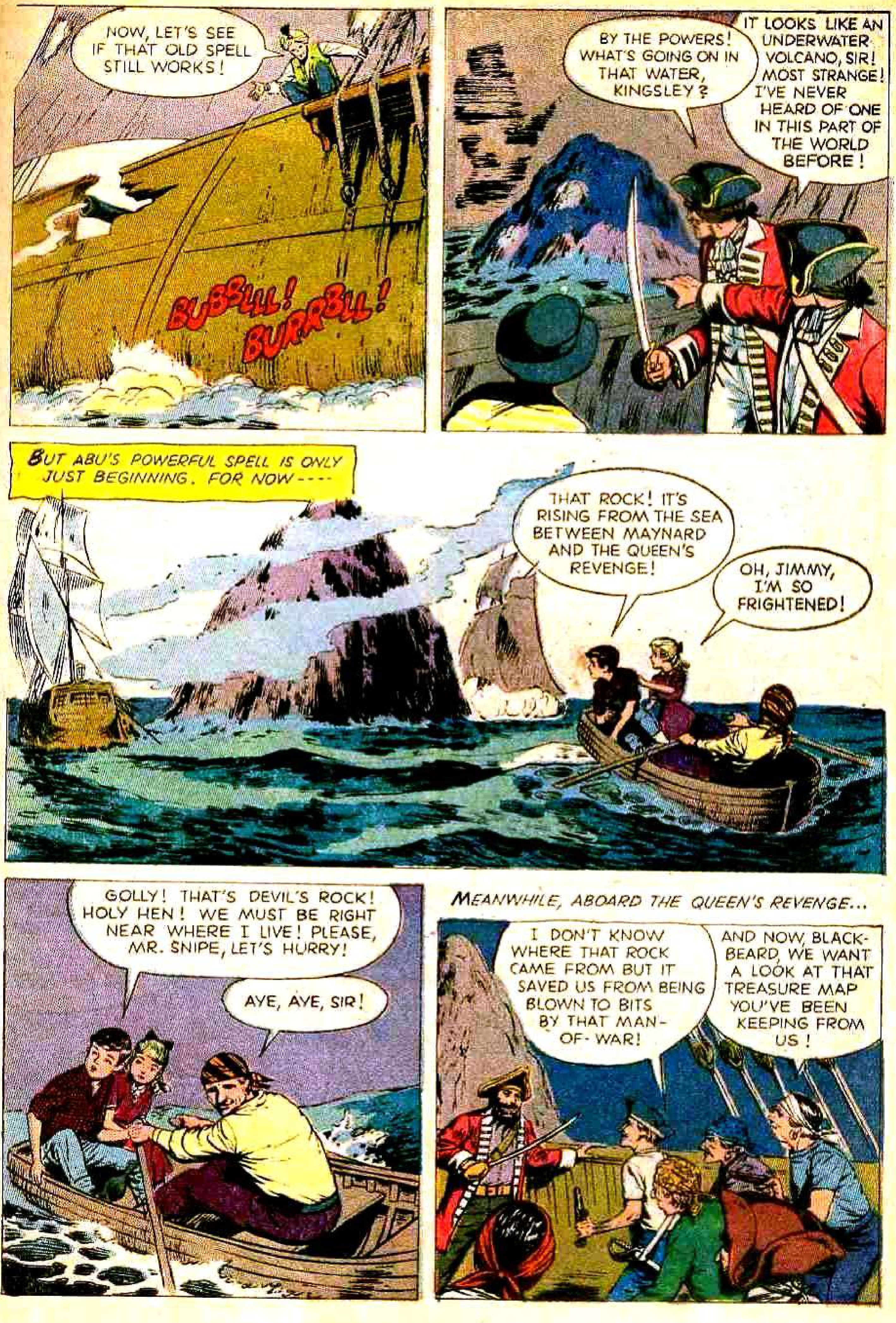


AT THAT MOMENT, NOT FAR AWAY...
NO SIGN OF BLACKBEARD'S SHIP YET, SIR?
IT'S THOSE CLOUDS HIDING THE MOON! I DOUBT IF WE'D SEE HER EVEN IF WE WERE BROADSIDE!
ACCORDING TO OUR COMPUTATIONS SHE SHOULDN'T BE TOO FAR AHEAD!
UNLESS BLACKBEARD'S GIVEN US THE SLIP AGAIN! WAIT! THE CLOUDS ARE DRIFTING AWAY! MAYBE WE CAN SPOT SOMETHING!
KINGSLEY! WE FOUND OUR PREY AT LAST! CLEAR THE DECKS FOR ACTION! MAKE READY TO FIRE AT MY COMMAND!
AYE, AYE, SIR!
AT THAT MOMENT, ABOARD THE PIRATE SHIP...
SCOGGINS, IT LOOKS LIKE WE'RE HEADED FOR TROUBLE! THE CREW MUST'VE FOUND OUT ABOUT SOMETHING! IT'S MUTINY!
IT'S WORSE THAN THAT, CAPTAIN! LOOK THERE, TO STARBOARD!
SHE'S FLYING THE BRITISH FLAG!
IT'S MAYNARD! HE'S CAUGHT UP WITH US!


BUT THE WARNING COMES TOO LATE! THE MAN-OF-WAR GOES INTO ACTION!
ALL RIGHT, MY HEARTIES, GIVE THE SKULKING PIRATE A BROADSIDE! FIRE!
BARRROOM!
ABOARD THE QUEEN'S REVENGE MUTINY IS FORGOTTEN....
LET 'EM HAVE IT! GIVE 'EM SHOT FOR SHOT!
CRASH!
BOOM!
BAMMM!
OH, JIMMY, WE'LL ALL BE KILLED! I KNOW IT!
QUICK, GET DOWN TO THE CABIN! WE'LL BE SAFER THERE!
JIMMY, LOOK! IT'S THE TREASURE MAP YOU DREW!
NOW'S OUR CHANCE TO GET RID OF IT, BEFORE THE PIRATES FIND OUT IT'S A FAKE!


BUT IN THE NEXT FRIGHTENING INSTANT...
THOSE TWO BRATS! I SAW THEM COME DOWN HERE! THEY'RE AFTER THE MAP!
HSSSST, KATRINA, SNEAK UP THE STAIRS BEHIND HIM! IT'S OUR ONLY CHANCE!
IT'S THE RUNT! HEY, BRING BACK THAT MAP, OR I'LL HAVE YOU KEELHAULED!
BUT IN THE NEXT MOMENT A LUCKY SHOT TEARS THROUGH THE SHIP AND....
BOOM! CRASH!
THE STAIRWAY'S BLOCKED! THEY'RE GETTING AWAY!
UP ON DECK, ABU IS BUSY ENJOYING THE BATTLE WHEN--
IT'S MR. SNIPE!
HERE YOU TWO! I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU! COME WITH ME, QUICK!
WE'RE IN BAD SHAPE! THAT DINGHY IS OUR ONLY CHANCE TO ESCAPE! I'M GOING TO GET YOU ASHORE!
I RECOGNIZE THE COASTLINE! IT'S MASSACHUSETTS!
MASSACHUSETTS? THAT'S A MOST DISTRESSING DEVELOPMENT!


JIMMY! WHERE ARE YOU GOING? COME BACK HERE, QUICK!
WAIT! THERE'S SOMETHING I NEED TO GET FROM MY BUNK! I'LL BE RIGHT BACK!
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A MOMENT LATER....
ABU'S BOTTLE! I HAD TO GET IT!
HE'S RIGHT! TONIGHT'S THE LAST NIGHT! IF HE RETURNS THE BOTTLE TO WHERE HE FOUND IT MY GOOSE IS COOKED!
BUT, AT THAT MOMENT....
THOSE TWO BRATS! WHERE'D THEY GO? THEY'RE MAKING OFF WITH OUR TREASURE MAP!
THERE THEY GO IN THAT DINGHY WITH SNIPE! WE'VE GOT TO STOP THEM!
STOP 'EM! WHAT CHANCE HAVE WE GOT TO GO AFTER THEM WITH MAYNARD BLASTING US TO BITS?
BUT THEY'VE GOT TO STOP JIMMY---OR I'LL BE BACK IN THAT BOTTLE FOR GOOD!
WAIT! I KNOW HOW TO FIX EVERYTHING---THIS BUTTON FROM MY COAT SHOULD DO THE TRICK!
AND NOW TO RUB UP A LITTLE EXTRA MAGIC POWER IN THE CHARM!


NOW, LET'S SEE IF THAT OLD SPELL STILL WORKS!
BUBBLLL! BURRBLL!
BY THE POWERS! WHAT'S GOING ON IN THAT WATER, KINGSLEY?
IT LOOKS LIKE AN UNDERWATER VOLCANO, SIR! MOST STRANGE! I'VE NEVER HEARD OF ONE IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD BEFORE!
BUT ABU'S POWERFUL SPELL IS ONLY JUST BEGINNING. FOR NOW----
THAT ROCK! IT'S RISING FROM THE SEA BETWEEN MAYNARD AND THE QUEEN'S REVENGE!
OH, JIMMY, I'M SO FRIGHTENED!
GOLLY! THAT'S DEVIL'S ROCK! HOLY HEN! WE MUST BE RIGHT NEAR WHERE I LIVE! PLEASE, MR. SNIPE, LET'S HURRY!
AYE, AYE, SIR!
MEANWHILE, ABOARD THE QUEEN'S REVENGE...
I DON'T KNOW WHERE THAT ROCK CAME FROM BUT IT SAVED US FROM BEING BLOWN TO BITS BY THAT MAN-OF-WAR!
AND NOW, BLACKBEARD, WE WANT A LOOK AT THAT TREASURE MAP YOU'VE BEEN KEEPING FROM US!


NOW HOLD IT, MATES! I CAN'T GIVE YOU THE MAP! THAT TRAITOR SNIPE HAS IT! HIM AND THOSE BRATS ARE ESCAPING IN THAT DINGHY!
SNIPE AND THOSE BRATS AIN'T GOING TO KEEP THAT TREASURE FOR THEMSELVES IF WE CAN HELP IT! AFTER 'EM!
SET ALL SAIL! GET HER MOVING! WE'LL CATCH UP WITH THAT DINGHY!
THROW A SHOT AT 'EM! WE'VE GOT TO STOP 'EM!
THAT'S BAD!
BOOOMM!
IF JIMMY IS HURT OR KILLED IT'S THE BOTTLE FOR ME! I'VE GOT TO PROTECT HIM!
ZOOM!
ABU! WHERE'D YOU COME FROM? I THOUGHT YOU WERE IN THE BOTTLE!
OH NO! I HAD TO STAY BEHIND TO WATCH THE BATTLE AND ER--HELP BLACKBEARD OUT OF A TIGHT SPOT!
YOU HELPED BLACKBEARD?
THAT'S RIGHT---SO THAT BLACKBEARD COULD CATCH YOU AND YOU COULD TAKE MY PLACE IN THAT BOTTLE!


SO! I'LL BET IT WAS YOU THAT PUT THAT BIG ROCK BETWEEN THE TWO SHIPS!
PRETTY NEAT TRICK, EH? TONIGHT'S YOUR LAST NIGHT OF FREEDOM! WANT TO TRY THAT BOTTLE ON FOR SIZE?
NOT SO FAST, MR. ABU! WE'RE PRACTICALLY HOME NOW! MR. BLACKBEARD WILL NEVER CATCH ME!
WON'T HE? JUST LOOK BEHIND YOU!
BLACKBEARD'S SHIP! HE'S CLOSING IN! **HURRY**, MR. SNIPE!
I'M ROWING AS HARD AS I CAN, RUNT!
BLACKBEARD'S COMING MIGHTY CLOSE WITH THOSE CANNONS! THINK I'LL CLIMB IN HERE FOR SAFE-KEEPING!
BOOM!
SPLASH!
WE'RE ASHORE! WE MADE IT!
WE'RE NOT IN THE CLEAR YET! HERE COMES THE QUEEN'S REVENGE! **RUN!**
CRRRASSH!


BLACKBEARD AND HIS MEN! YOU KIDS GET GOING! I'LL HOLD THEM OFF!
NO! PLEASE, MR. SNIPE! THEY'LL KILL YOU!
I CAN HANDLE ANY FIVE OF 'EM LUBBERS! ON YOUR WAY, LAD! YOUR JOB IS TO SAVE KATRINA!
GOOD-BYE, MR. SNIPE! WE'LL NEVER FORGET YOU!
BUT THOUGH SNIPE FIGHTS VALIANTLY THE ODDS ARE TOO GREAT!
AND NOW TO SETTLE WITH THOSE TWO BRATS!
AFTER 'EM! DON'T LET THEM GET AWAY!
JIMMYYYY! LOOK OUT BEHIND YOU!
THIS BOTTLE IS THE ONLY WEAPON I HAVE!
THAT SHOULD STOP HIM!
OOOOOWW!
KLUNK!



THE BOTTLE! IT'S FALLING INTO THE OCEAN---JUST WHERE I FOUND IT!
THEN IN THE NEXT STARTLING MOMENT...
VARRROOOM!
THE PIRATES! THEY'RE VANISHING! DISAPPEARING BEFORE MY EYES!
KATRINA-- LOOK!
KATRINA! SHE'S VANISHED TOO---! AND THERE'S NOTHING LEFT BUT THAT LOCKET SHE WORE!
THE QUEEN'S REVENGE! SHE JUST CRASHED ON THE BEACH---BUT THIS WRECK IS HUNDREDS OF YEARS OLD!
THE QUEEN'S REVENGE


THE MAGIC BOTTLE! ABU'S INSIDE! I CAN'T LET HIM BE SEALED UP IN THERE FOREVER!


NO SIR, I WAS TRICKED ONCE--- AND THAT WAS ENOUGH!


JUST THEN,...
JIMMY! JIMMY!
IT'S KATHY!


WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN? EVERYONE HAS BEEN LOOKING ALL OVER FOR YOU!
WAIT TILL I TELL YOU, KATRINA — I MEAN KATHY! THERE WAS THIS LITTLE GUY IN THE BOTTLE FOR TWO THOUSAND YEARS, AND...


TWO THOUSAND YEARS!
YES, AND THERE WAS BLACKBEARD AND SNIPE AND — IT'S A LONG STORY, COME ON, I'LL WALK YOU HOME!

PIRATES of New England



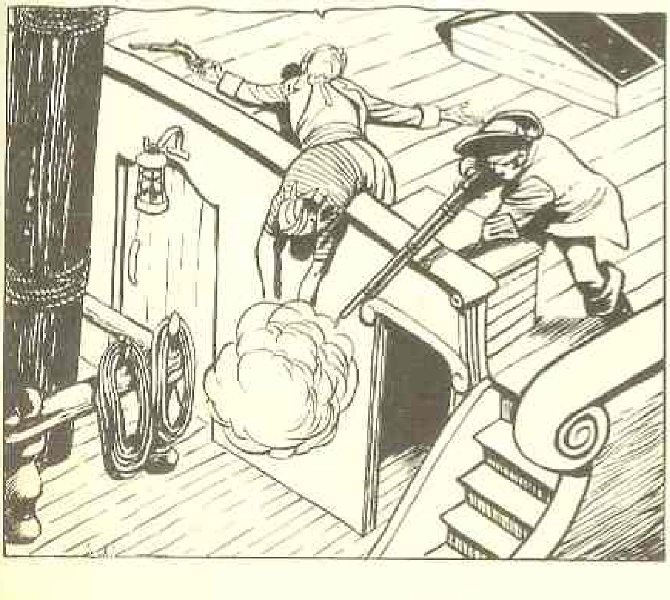
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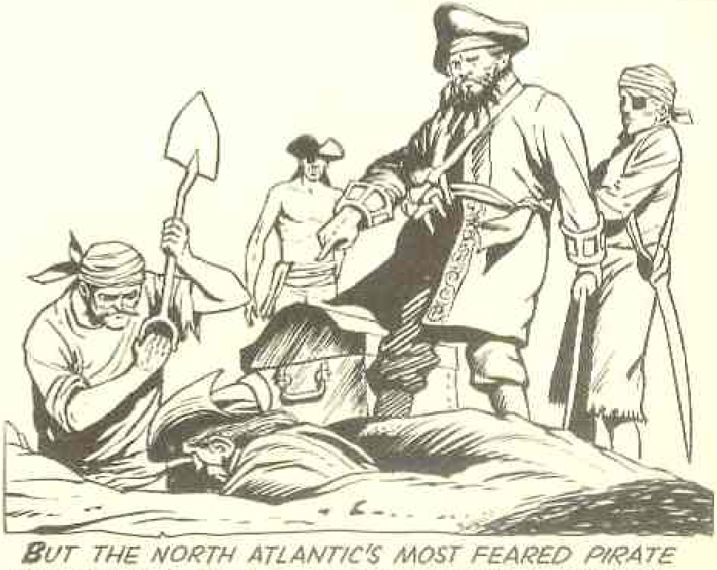


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